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NINE CRIMES.

Notorious Burglar
Jailed.

ARREST AFTER SCUFFLE.

Magistrate Commands Chinese Doctor.

Charged with being concerned in nearly every burglary perpetrated on the Peak and in the mid-level district during recent months, Ho Leung-yan, Ho Yu, 22 unemployed, appeared on remand before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The solicitor's table presented a strange spectacle being covered with a collection of jewellery, comprising gold cigarette cases, bracelets, ear-rings, finger rings, pearl necklaces and brooches, articles of clothing, binoculars, barometers, boots and shoes and a collection of odds and ends, including small carved lapis lazuli, war medals and emerald jewel cases.

Det. Sgt. A. E. Carey prosecuted on behalf of the police.

Over a dozen ladies were noticed in Court, whilst other "victims" of Hong Kong's premier "cat burglar" were also present.

Everything Recovered.

Nine charges were preferred against the prisoner who admitted six, claiming, in the other three cases, to have only stolen part of the property reported to have been taken.

His Worship: Has everything been recovered?—Practically everything.

Outlining the case for the police, Sgt. Carey said that early on the morning of Nov. 13, Dr. Y. S. Wan of St. Paul's Hostel, was awakened by noises in his room. He saw the defendant pass by means of a mirror which reflected. He got out of bed and followed him. They struggled together, but he succeeded in overrunning the man.

The police were sent for and the prisoner was searched. A quantity of jewellery belonging to Dr. Wan and Mrs. Beecher, the Treasurer of St. Paul's Hostel, was found on his person. He was taken to the Police Station.

The next day, witness took the prisoner to the Pumping Station in Garden Road. Prisoner had been living there for some time. Witness searched the place and found jewellery, the property of Mr. George Grimes, concealed in a pair of white boots. Prisoner took the police to a small retaining wall in the garden and pulled out a brick behind which was found more property and ten pawn tickets which involved the property which formed the other charges.

His Worship: You have not charged him with pawning?

Witness: I thought he had enough against him.

His Worship: Why was he living in Government quarters?—That is being dealt with departmentally.

Continuing, witness said that prisoner took him to a marine hawk's establishment where further property was recovered. "In fact," said witness, "he gave us every assistance."

"Helena May" Theft.

When arrested, prisoner had an electric torch in his possession. He also had one when he burgled Mr. Grimes' house—upon that occasion he was nearly caught but managed to get away. He also entered the Helena May Institute, where he stole a number of things, including a clock which he pulled from its case. One watch, that belonging to Staff-Sgt. Roney, had an inscription inside the case and he, the witness, thought that the witness should be called to account for accepting it. Among the property which had not yet been recovered were two pairs of glasses which, he understood, were worth \$42.

His Worship: You are convicted on all charges. Is anything known about the prisoner?

Det. Sgt. Carey: Nothing. Your Worship, I understand that he was employed in the Waterworks for some time, but was dismissed as he was seen riding a bicycle when he should have been on duty. He appears to have lived there ever since he was dismissed.

His Worship: That certainly wants looking into. (To defendant) What have you got to say?

Defendant: I have committed wrong. Please deal with me leniently.

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WARS IN CHINA.

Safety of British Residents.

NAVAL FORCE'S TASK.

Minister and Consuls Consulted.

London, Nov. 22. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. A. A. Somerville (Conservative) the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain said the disposition of naval forces in China had been made by the Commander-in-Chief, who was in close touch with the Minister at Peking and the local consular officials.

It was considered that the force at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief was sufficient to ensure the safety of British residents.—Reuters.

Belgian Treaty.

Brussels, Nov. 22. A Chinese Note has been presented declining to agree to a compromise whereby the Sino-Belgian dispute as regards denunciation of the 1866 treaty should be referred to the Hague Court.

The Belgian Government, consequently, has decided to apply to the Hague, as China has recognised the obligatory competence of that court.

Belgium requests the court to indicate desirable measures to safeguard her nationals' rights, pending its findings.

Belgium reiterates that this recourse to arbitral jurisdiction, with a view to settling the legal point does not exclude the idea of friendly negotiations with a view to arranging revision of the treaty.—Reuters.

Belgium by virtue of Article 46 of the Treaty denied the Chinese Government's right to denounce the Treaty, and begged it to sign a "compromise" asking the Hague Court to interpret the article. The Chinese Government, in notifying Belgium of the abrogation, did not mention The Hague, from which it could be deduced that the Chinese Government refuses to appear voluntarily before this high International Court.

MINERS IN QUEUES.

A RETURN TO WORK AT ONCE.

ANOTHER 14,000 BACK.

Rugby, Nov. 22. Many thousands of miners are not waiting for the conclusion of district agreements, but are returning to work at once.

From the various coalfields come reports of pits reopening and of men waiting in queues to sign on.

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GENERAL BOOTH.

Famous S. A. Leader Arrives.

WORK IN CHINA.

Help in Time of Flood and Famine.

General Bramwell Booth, the well-known Salvation Army leader, who is to address a meeting at the Theatre Royal to-morrow afternoon at 5.30 p.m., arrived in Hong Kong this morning by the s.s. "Devanha," accompanied by his son, Brigadier Bernard Booth, Lieut. Commissioner John Cunningham, Capt. Alfred J. Gillard and Brigadier J. Evan Smith.

Although the Salvation Army has not established a branch of its work in Hong Kong and there were consequently no officials of the "Army" to welcome the General, their place was taken by several residents interested in Christian work who boarded the "Devanha" and extended a welcome to the veteran Christian worker.

Later in the morning, the General was visited by Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., whom he met whilst crossing the Pacific when Sir



Henry was returning to the Colony and the General disembarked at Yokohama. Sir Henry presided over a farewell meeting to General Booth on board the "Empress of Canada" on that occasion. He is also presiding at tomorrow's meeting.

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Veteran Worker.

General Booth, although over 70 years of age, is still the central figure in the work which was founded by William and Catherine Booth, his father and mother, and the establishing of Salvation Army work in China is due to the personal interest he took in its organisation. It was in October of 1915 that a small band of officers were publicly dedicated in London to open up Army work in China and a few months later a large party sailing from 11 different countries landed in China. Since then their numbers have been increased. There are now 252 officers and cadets (foreign and Chinese) in China and evangelical work is carried on in three provinces.

The first work in China was evangelical, but it was not long before the need for social operations became evident. The Army has since taken its full share in relief work, aiding the victims of food, famine and civil warfare.

An Appreciation.

In a recent appreciation of General Bramwell Booth, Mr. Harold Begbie wrote:

"In a subtle, attractive way, he combines the qualities of his parents; he believes in the power of love and the power of conversion with something of the same force which urged his parents on their stormy way. But he is more flexible than they, more of a statesman, more sensitive, more of the value of organisation and more thorough in every detail of his administration."

"Well," said Major Willson, "there will be an order that the watch be returned to Staff-Sgt. Roney free of charge."

on each charge, the sentences to run consecutively—nine months hard labour in all.

Turning to Dr. Wan, His Worship said that he thought it right that the Bench should compliment him upon his conduct in dealing with the man. "Through your bravery, Dr. Wan," continued His Worship, "all these ladies have got their property back. I am sure they are very grateful to you."

His Worship then sent for the pawn-brinker who had lent money on Staff-Sgt. Roney's watch and asked him why he had accepted it in pawn seeing that it bore an inscription and obviously did not belong to the man who pawned it.

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PICKETS SNUBBED.

Denounced by Transport Union.

"TO SUPPORT TRADE."

Government Asked to Help Workers.

Perhaps the most significant factor this week in the resumption of trade between Canton and Hong Kong is the manifesto of the Transport (cargo-boats) Union, in which "illegal" pickets who prevent work" are denounced.

This snub is aimed at a minority of radicals who are alleged to have acted without the approval of the Union officials in maintaining their own pickets in trying to prevent cargo being worked from British vessels.

The manifesto states that the cargo-boats are determined to support the Government policy in preserving communications.

Boom Next Month.

Accordingly the Labour Department has been asked to deal authoritatively with recalcitrant bodies which threaten to set up their own organisations and boycott British ships.

Evidence is forthcoming that there has been a slight improvement in the quantity of merchandise carried to and from although the public still prefer to crowd on Chinese-owned steamboats, rather than venture on British boats.

It is felt that the volume of trade will increase slowly but gradually until the winter solstice settlement (Dec. 22)—after which a boom is predicted to meet with the end of the year demand.

TRADE NOTES.

Why Should Piece Goods Pay Double?

An agreement is reported to have been signed yesterday at Peking (the port of Kowloon) whereby the Tung Tack Coolies Guild will receive \$2.60 for every package of goods handled by the Transport Union (from cargo-boats to the Customs examination shed)—as predicted by the "China Mail" correspondent last week. On piece goods, however, the rate will be \$5.20 per case or bale.

The s.s. "San Ning" (not to be confused with the China Navigation, "Sunning") has returned to Hong Kong to take up the trade with Wuchow after going into dock for overhaul.

It will be recalled that after lying up for a year she left Hong Kong just before the strike was settled and changed to Chinese registry, entered the Canton-Wuchow trade, and still flies the five-barred ensign of the Republic.

Mr. Hornell continued that Hong Kong considered the floating university a very great experiment. America did well to take her young people round the world and let them see that people are just the same when they get together. The cruise was a great imperialistic venture undertaken by America, and as such Hong Kong wished it godspeed and good luck. (Applause).

Professor Howes, Dean of William's College, compared the beauty of Hong Kong to that of the classical lands. "When I looked at some of the bare hills they were the isles of Greece. I took that most wonderful drive today, and it was the road over the Arcadian mountains. Here you have got an epitome of many of the beauties we went to the classical lands to see. Prof. Howes concluded by expressing hearty appreciation of the "extreme goodwill that our friends and relatives here feel for us—sentiments which we cordially reciprocate." (Applause).

Professor A. K. Heckel, of the University of Missouri, said that every age had some great contribution to make to civilisation, every age was moved by some great principle which went to shape civilisation. Those aboard the "Ryndam" were obtaining a revelation of the new life and the new world. Many of their finest students, through the cruise of the "Ryndam," while yet maintaining that fine spirit of nation-

ity against it gone for ever and the crude fanaticism which first marked it in the eyes of many shallow observers, purged wholly away. It may be less picturesque, but it is more efficient; the noise it makes in the world is less boisterous and discordant, but the work it does is more penetrating and

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C. ARIMA, Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st September, 1926.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

AUSTRALIAN FINANCE.

The Recent Pamphlet.

London, Oct. 13. Mr. S. M. Bruce, who intends to make later a considered reply to the recent pamphlet attacking Australian credit, issued to-day the following interim statement:

"The pamphlet bristles with inaccuracies and omissions, and has been presented in a form which is calculated to deceive the casual reader. This is apparently its purpose. On close analysis it would be found that the writers of the pamphlet are more interested in the politics of the various Australian Governments than in actual questions of finance. The result is a mass of biased conclusions based neither on science and statistics nor on logical reasoning. One point only need be mentioned to indicate that the object of the publication was hardly what it purported to be—namely, a warning to the investor of Great Britain. The pamphlet is dedicated solemnly to the Imperial Conference of 1926, and appears to have been issued to synchronise with my arrival in London.

"I do not hesitate to say that it cannot be regarded as an impartial review of the potentialities of Australian finance. The authors of it, who profess concern not only about the investor of Great Britain, but also for the Empire generally, seem to have forgotten to mention that we are expanding rapidly. Our population is 98 per cent. British, and we have never defaulted or looked like doing so. It is more regrettable that at a time when I, as the representative of the Empire in the van leading a fight for Empire unity, there should be forces at work which, whatever their avowed intention, are doing a great deal for disruption.

"The amount of capital borrowed by any country is not the main point. The real question is, How is the money spent? As every one knows, the bulk of the capital borrowed by Australia is being spent on developmental works, which stimulate migration in the Empire, increase the productive wealth of our country, and incidentally make not merely Australia, but also the whole Empire safe." The total wealth of Australia was estimated recently at £3,300,000,000. Compared with this, the amount of £180,000,000 which the Commonwealth and State Governments owe to overseas lenders is very small. Moreover, security for the amount borrowed is to be found in the character of the debtor.

"Australia has always met her obligations with the utmost promptitude. Apart from this, the population of Australia is growing both by natural increase and by the influx of large numbers of migrants. When the magnitude of Australia's savings is remembered it must be plain to even the most biased observer that any investment in Australian Government securities is not only sound, but also extremely profitable. We are, and have been always intensely British, not only with regard to our general patriotic policy, but also in respect of our practical financial policy. Despite the most attractive allurements of trade and finance, we endeavour to do our business within the Empire.

"When I left Australia there were several representatives of great American financial corporations who were both willing and anxious to lend money to Australia. They had investigated personally the conditions, and apparently had found them satisfactory. In these circumstances I feel convinced that the sound conservative policy of the investor of Great Britain will not be defeated by a pamphlet which is so obviously incomplete and inaccurate."

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PARSONS' MARINE TURBINE COMPANY.

The report of Parsons' Marine Steam Turbine Company, Wallend-on-Tyne, for the year ended June states that there was a loss on working, after providing £2,082 for experimental and development work and also for upkeep of patents, taxation, and depreciation. Royalties and dividends on investments, however, not only extinguished the loss but created a credit of £11,726, to which was added £30,463 brought forward. A dividend of 5 per cent, free of tax, is proposed and £21,628 will be carried forward. The last report also showed a trading loss, but after including royalties and dividends there was a net profit of £10,347, and a dividend of 5 per cent, free of tax, was paid.

RAW SILK.

London, Oct. 13. The Japanese Government will give assistance to the maintenance of the market price of raw silk. This decision is due to the fact that raw silk trade occupies 45 per cent. of Japan's exports, its annual amount being over Yen 900,000,000. It is suggested the Government is endeavouring to win the confidence of the people in view of the approach of the general elections.

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Hong Kong, 20th November, 1926.

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No. 46 of 1926.

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W. K. LUM,
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E. V. JESSEN,
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List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office Hongkong.

Arrived, from Bangkok.

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Varn, from Washington.

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E. J. PATERSON,
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Hong Kong, 18th Nov., 1926.

AMAH'S DEATH.

RESULT OF CORONER'S
INQUIRY.

The Inquest was resumed before Mr. R. E. Linsell, sitting as Coroner, and a jury at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon on the body of a Chinese amah employed by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaw, of 15 Park Road, who committed suicide by throwing herself out of a window of her employer's house on November 1.

At the commencement of yesterday's proceedings, Mr. D. McCullum informed His Worship that he had been instructed to watch the inquiry in the interests of the deceased's relatives.

Wong Fook-sing, a butcher's assistant, said that he saw the deceased woman a week before the tragedy. She said she intended resigning her position as it was a hard job. She complained that her mistress constantly scolded her and only allowed her out one night every two weeks. On November 1 she was deceased in an ambulance. She was still conscious. Later he saw deceased at the hospital when he told him that Mrs. Shaw had locked her in her room and had beaten her.

Mr. McCullum: Was she covered up?

The Coroner: Does that help us at all?

Mr. McCullum: I understand that she wrapped herself up in some curtains before she jumped out of the window.

Continuing, witness said that he could not see deceased in the ambulance. When he saw her in the hospital, she was in bed.

To Mr. McCullum: On one occasion she told me that a former amah had told her that she had been lied to and beaten by Mrs. Shaw when she wanted to leave.

Ho Moi, an amah, was the next witness called, and in reply to the Coroner said that she came from the same village as deceased. The latter did not complain until October 31 when she told witness that Mrs. Shaw constantly found fault with her. On the day of the tragedy, witness was collecting socks from a clothes line on the verandah; she heard deceased shout and saw Mr. and Mrs. Shaw outside the door of deceased's room. They appeared to be pushing the latter inside the room. Mrs. Shaw subsequently locked the door and took the key. Fifteen minutes later witness was told by the cook that something had happened. She went out on to the verandah and saw the deceased lying on the ground. She asked deceased what she was doing and the latter replied that she was frightened on account of having been locked in her room. Then the police arrived.

To Mr. McCullum: I did not see any curtains; I noticed no clothing other than that which the deceased was wearing at the time.

The Verdict.

The Coroner then addressed the jury at some considerable length, emphasising the importance of certain aspects of the evidence that had been before the Court. His Worship said that it was their duty to confine themselves to the actual facts, and, whilst taking due notice of all they had heard, they must not be unduly influenced by what might, in substance, be mere gossip.

The jury returned a verdict of “death by misadventure” adding that no blame was attached to anyone.

The Osaka Appeals Court has rendered a judgment declaring that life insurance contract entered into by a policy holder concerning any malady is null and void.

Dated the 20th day of November, 1926.

W. K. LUM,
Trustee.

“SUNNING” HEROES.

WORTHY OF LLOYD'S
MEDAL.

WARM SHANGHAI PRAISE.

Any present thought of the piracy of the China Navigation Company's s.s. “Sunning” is inevitably dominated by a keen appreciation of the wonderful heroism displayed by Mr. T. P. Beatty and Mr. J. Hurst, chief officer and second officer respectively of the “Sunning,” in rushing a bridge held by armed pirates, regaining control of the bridge, and then successfully withstanding the determined attack of the piratical horde in a bloody fight in which the two gallant officers were so greatly outnumbered, says the “North China Daily News.” Sufficient information on the matter has already been received as to leave no doubt that the deed of Mr. Beatty and Mr. Hurst constitutes an epic, not of the sea alone, but of history; and it is sincerely to be wished that both of these brave gentlemen (one of whom, incidentally, has served in H. M. Navy) will be recommended for what may be termed the Victoria Cross of the British Mercantile Marine—Lloyd's Gold Medal. Actually, the medal is rarer, much rarer, than the V. C. itself, for only since 1886, Lloyd's instituted its life-saving medal and in 1886 has the Gold Medal been awarded, the lone recipient being Captain E. R. G. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., R.N., Commander of H. M. S. “Carlsruhe,” whose unparalleled personal efforts in saving hundreds of otherwise doomed sailors from the emigrant ship “Hong Moh,” wrecked on the Lamoons on March 8, 1921, excited the admiration of the whole world. There is no naval or military decoration for which either of these two brave officers is eligible, but as they have displayed an initiative and a gallantry which could not be excelled even in times of war, it is to be hoped that the very highest reward which can come to a member of their Service will be theirs.

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Kiukiang, Nov. 12.

General Chang Kai-shek arrived here yesterday afternoon amid the enthusiastic welcome of some ten thousand citizens who carried 200 flags. The city was decked with revolutionary flags.

General Chang, accompanied by a score of subordinates, proceeded on foot to the court-house in the walled city, which has been made General Headquarters.

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LEPER'S MISSION.

ACTIVITIES OF HONG KONG
AUXILIARY.

The “China Press” of November 16 reported:

The Chinese Mission to Leper held its regular board meeting on November 13, for luncheon in the Navy Y.M.C.A., Shanghai. The meeting was opened with an address by Rev. A. Oltman, the General Secretary of the American Mission to Lepers for Japan, for which Chairman Yinson Lee appropriately responded.

The address was followed by very encouraging reports made by Rev. T. C. Wu, the General Secretary of the Mission.

Of all the encouraging reports the activities of the Hong Kong Auxiliary deserve special mention. The Southern supporters, it is said, are going to put up a big cinema-concert show on November 17 for the benefit of the Mission in the World's Theatre, one of the biggest theatres in Hong Kong, and the management of the theatre are sympathetic of the mission that they do not wish to charge a single cent for the use of their theatre.

In order to meet different appeals for help and to carry out the programme of the Mission the Board decided to launch a financial drive for \$25,000 in January.

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WAR NEWS.

SOUTHERN LEADER VISITS
KIUKIANG.

Peking, Nov. 14.

The Chinese papers state that Marshal Wu Pei-fu has sent a brigade under General Tsoo Yao via the Longhai Railway with the object of assisting Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, and will later send his Fifth Division under General Mu Chi-chi.

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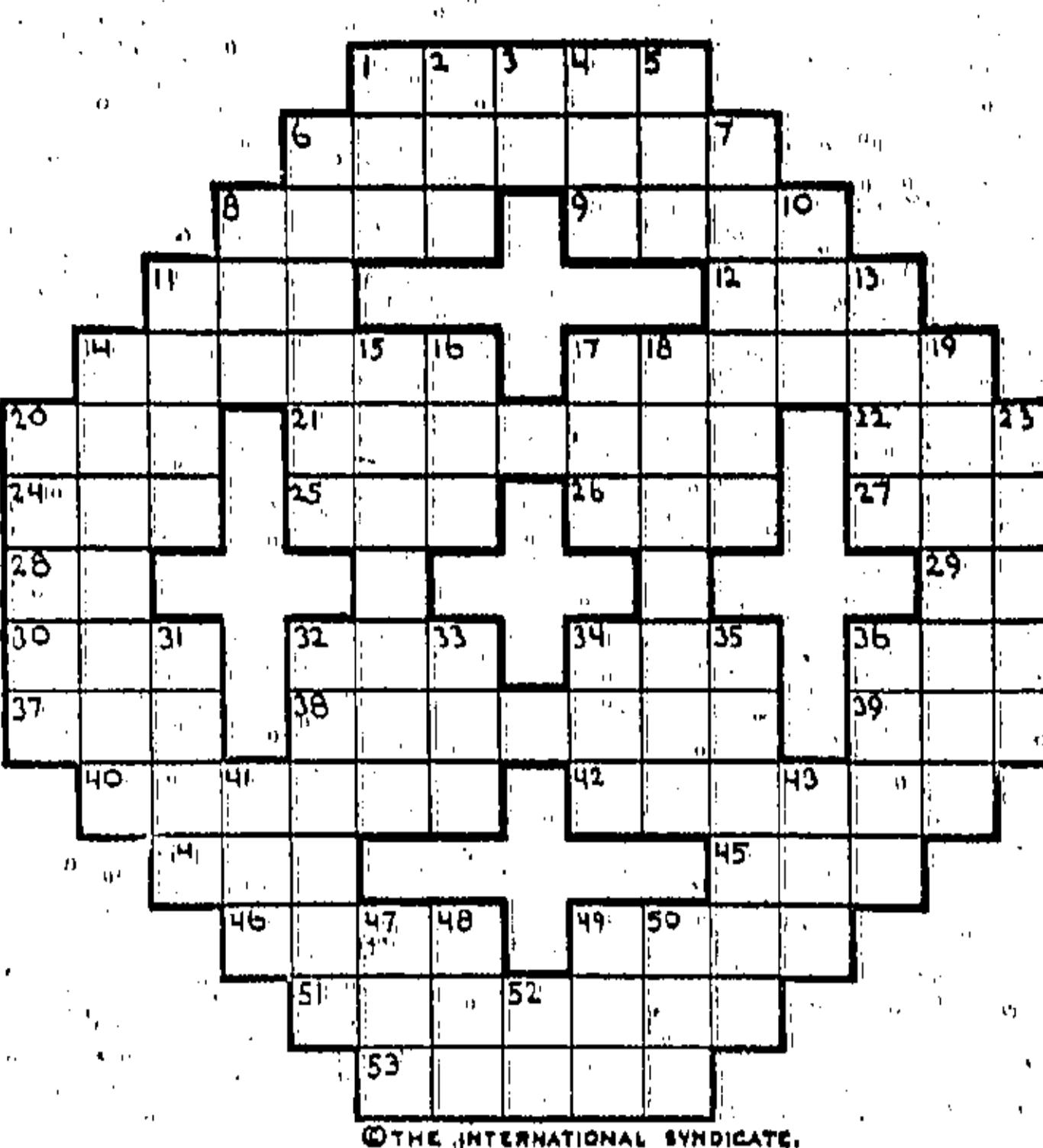
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OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and atho.)



HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37-A fish without ventral fins
- 38-Garden tool (p.)
- 39-Permit
- 40-Degrade
- 41-Bible heroine
- 42-Faint
- 43-Measure of length
- 44-Name
- 45-Loudly
- 46-Convolusion
- 47-Exalt
- 48-Part of a flower
- 49-Pervade
- 50-Away from the right path
- 51-Sledge
- 52-Wood-boring tool
- 53-Pointed end
- 54-Pointed end
- 55-Shade tree
- 56-A continent (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13-To send or give out
- 14-Exalted among the gods
- 15-School book (p.)
- 16-Excavate
- 17-Amount
- 18-Journeys
- 19-Suitcase
- 20-Complain
- 21-Expel air violently through the nose
- 22-Part of a flower
- 23-Grief
- 24-Concealed
- 25-Tire out
- 26-Disfigure
- 27-A number
- 28-Whither
- 29-Behold
- 30-Point of a pen
- 31-Sitch
- 32-Body of water
- 33-Form of address

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TACOMA MARU (Calls at Karachi) Tuesday, 7th December.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND

MOMBASSA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

MEXICO MARU Wednesday, 22nd December.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SANUKI MARU Friday, 26th November.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon Saturday, 27th November.

JAPAN PORTS—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU Wednesday, 24th November.

HONOLULU MARU Friday, 17th December.

KEHLUNG & SWATOW & AMOY Wednesday, 24th Nov., 8 a.m.

TAIKWA MARU Wednesday, 24th Nov., 8 a.m.

FAKAO & KEPUNG Thursday, 2nd December, 8 a.m.

KOHOKU MARU Tuesday, 23rd November.

GANGES MARU Wednesday, 1st December.

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At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:

British 25

American 1

Norwegian 2

German 1

Panama 1

Japanese 9

Chinese 12

Dutch 7

Portuguese 2

No flag 1

Total 69

SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:

STORMY WEATHER.

WRECKS OFF THE BRITISH

COAST.

Rugby, Nov. 22.

Gales swept Britain and the adjacent seas during the week-end.

Several small vessels were driven ashore, and lifeboats saved many lives.

The French schooner "Annie Marie" was abandoned in the North Sea, the British s.s. "Caribbea" rescuing the crew, and the "Selsey" lifeboat saved all hands from the French ketch "Roslynne," wrecked in the Channel.

In the Atlantic, 500 miles southwest of Ireland several ships including the 14,000 ton Cunarder "Andania" raced to help the steamer "Aldworth," of 3,500 tons, which had wireless for assistance.

The "Andania" reported last night she was still standing by the "Aldworth," whose bridge and boats had been smashed and stokehold flooded. Heavy seas were continuing, and the "Aldworth" was in a grave condition, although her captain was doing his utmost to save her—British Wireless Service.

En route to Marseilles via Sagon, the French liner "Chambord" will sail this afternoon. She arrived this morning from Yokohama and Shanghai with the Siberian mail.

On her last trip up she had to anchor above the upper end of Kau Kong (an important silk port) where the usual passage has of late been silting up rapidly.

Through native pilots only knowing the "all same before" route, several boats have grounded at that spot.

As a consequence, gunboats have had to stand by as the waters are pirate infested.

With my own eyes I have seen Hong Kong ships "blough" through the river, churning up the mud at the bottom.

I am informed that Captain Spink of the "Tai Ming" took upon himself work that should have been performed by the harbour administration of the Maritime Customs.

Sampans were hired and pilots sent out to "sound". The result was that a new crossing with very deep water was discovered, opposite the one in use before.

May I suggest that the new passage be called either Spink Channel or "Tai Ming" Channel?

Merchant's Complaint.

Merchants on this part of the West River feel that they have ground for complaint. They allege that too much of the Customs' attention and money is being devoted to the Yangtze while the West River—increasing in importance every day—is more or less neglected, with the exception of the stretch between Do Sing and Wuchow at low-water season.

Navigation Impeded.

Navigation at this port has been impeded and it is alleged that such obstruction is indirectly due to the Inspection Corps (searchers) of the Canton Finance Ministry delaying native craft for examination.

The complaint, in which I am given to understand that the Customs are interested, is on account of the wood-carrying and other cargo boats lying tier upon tier from the river-bank—where the searchers have their office—away out into the anchorage.

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Leith and Singapore; G. Living-

ston.

Hong Peng (2,585), Bri., from

Rangoon and Singapore; Seng

Sooon Hong.

Nyundam (7,592), Dutch, from

New York and Shanghai; Colum-

bia Pacific.

Mishima Maru (4,915), Jap.,

Yokohama and Nagasaki; N.Y.K.

Tetsuzan Maru (1,240), Jan.,

from Canton; M.B.K.

Departure.

For Manila: Emil Kirdorf, Pres.

Van Buren.

For Shanghai: Phemius,

Khiva.

For Swatow: Paling Maru,

Dorry.

For Canton: Lushan Maru,

Cheongshing.

For Amoy: Suiyang.

Clearance.

For Swatow: Kyodo M. 26, Ting

Sang.

WHO'S WHO.

Among the passengers on the

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DELTA	8,097	9th Dec.
MACEDONIA	11,080	11th Dec.
NELLORE	6,853	23rd Dec.
KHIVA	9,135	25th Dec.
MIRAZORE	6,715	3rd Jan.
NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.
DEVANHA	8,156	28th Jan.
MOMA	10,938	5th Feb.
DELTA	8,097	14th Feb.
KASHMIR	6,605	19th Feb.
NELLORE	6,632	1st March
MANTUA	10,902	5th March
KASHGAR	7,000	12th March
NYANZA	7,023	17th March
MONGOLIA	15,500	19th March
MACEDONIA	11,020	20th April
DEVANHA	8,155	24th April
KARMAKA	9,128	15th April
DELTA	8,097	23rd April
MALWA	10,941	30th April
KHIVA	9,135	14th May
MOMA	10,918	23rd May

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TAKWA	7,936	2nd Jan.
TAKADA	6,349	8th Jan.

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TANDA	6,956	2nd Dec.
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NYANZA	7,023	11th Dec.
KASHMIR	8,986	13th Dec.
TAKWA	7,936	13th Dec.
TAKADA	6,940	18th Dec.
KALYAN	9,114	24th Dec.
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MONGOLIA	12,504	17th Feb.
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LESSONS OF "SUNNING" ATTACK.

SHANGHAI COMMENT.

Five years ago.—On December 16, 1921 to be exact—occurred the piracy of the China Merchants' s.s. "Kwangtung," while on a voyage from Amoy to Hong Kong, says the "North-China Daily News." Previous to that, there had been no serious piracy on the China Coast since the sacking of the Douglas s.s. "Nanom" in 1890, when the pirates behaved with fiendish ruthlessness and cruelty and murdered the passengers and crew of the "Nanom" in a manner that shocked the civilized world. The "Kwangtung" piracy five years ago, daringly planned and boldly executed on the lines we have since come to know so well and accompanied by bloodshed and murder, netted the pirates booty worth \$130,000, and was the precursor of a long and practically unbroken sequence of similar outrages, all of them successful and many accompanied by shooting, bloodshed and loss of innocent lives. And now comes the latest outrage of all, the piracy on the China Navigation Company's s.s. "Sunning" on Monday last, the story of which reads more like old-time fiction than what it really is—hard, incontrovertible fact. That anything in the nature of a genuine piracy on a large scale should occur in the twentieth century is in itself surprising; but that a long series of such piracies, extending over a period of five years and committed with disconcerting frequency on one of the busiest sea routes of the world should be possible, is as amazing as the correlative fact that, until this affair of the "Sunning," the pirates have almost invariably been completely successful. But, although in the case of the attack on the "Sunning" the majority of the pirates have been captured and certainly will pay the utmost penalty of the law, we are as far as ever from any guarantee or even belief that there will be no more attacks on merchant vessels, and the most that can be said of the "Sunning" affair is that it has checked the pirates without in any manner subduing them.

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OBITUARY.

60 YEARS' RECORD OF SERVICE.

CAPT. W. E. CLARKE.

As briefly reported yesterday, the death took place in Shanghai on Thursday of Captain William Edward Clarke, of Hong Kong, who was at the time on a visit to his daughter, Mrs. A. B. Stewart. Captain Clarke's genial disposition had endeared him to many friends in Hong Kong where he had been associated with the mercantile interests of the Colony for nearly half a century.

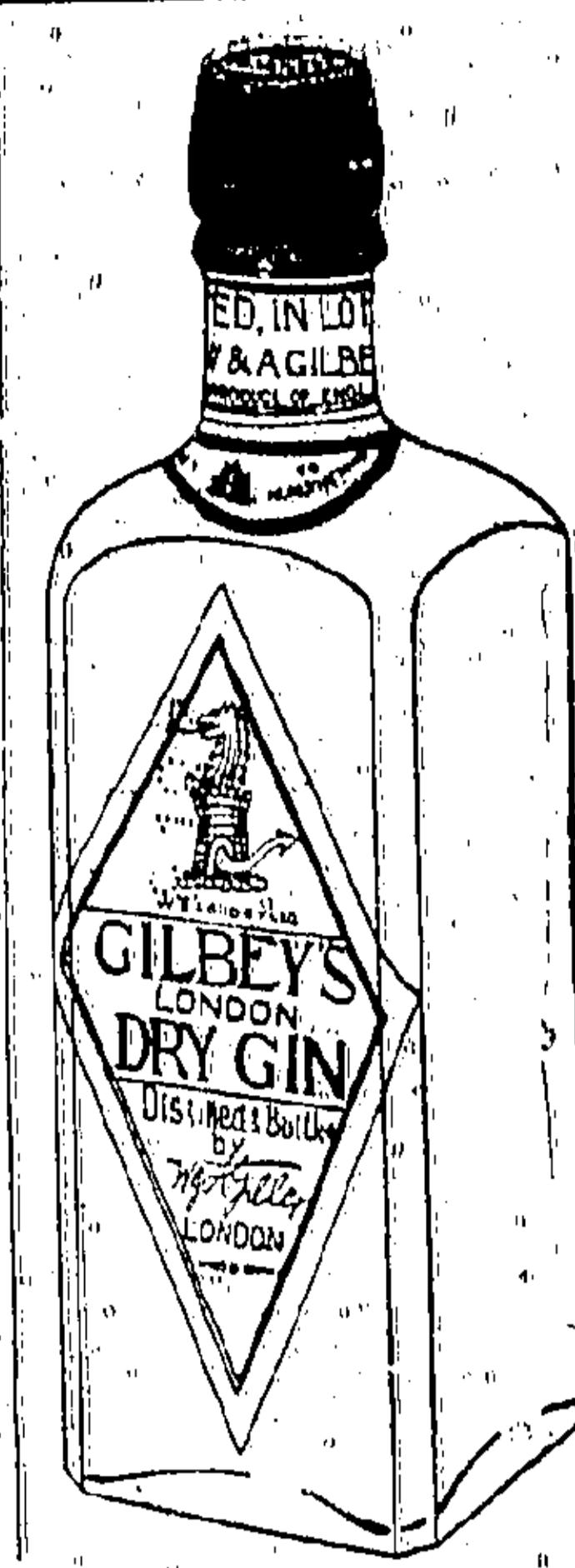
Captain Clarke served as an officer on the boats of the Hong Kong Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, then as Secretary and later Director. Captain Clarke was also a member of the Consulting Committee of the Douglas Steamship Company and had acted as Unofficial Justice of the Peace since 1908.

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Among many acknowledgments for services rendered, Captain Clarke held a letter of thanks from the Government of Macao for rescue and relief work when a disastrous tornado passed over the inner harbour of that city causing much destruction and loss of life among the boating population. It is interesting to recall that in the year 1900, Captain Clarke was wrecked in the s.s. "Futami Maru" off Cape Kavafite, Mindoro, Philippines.

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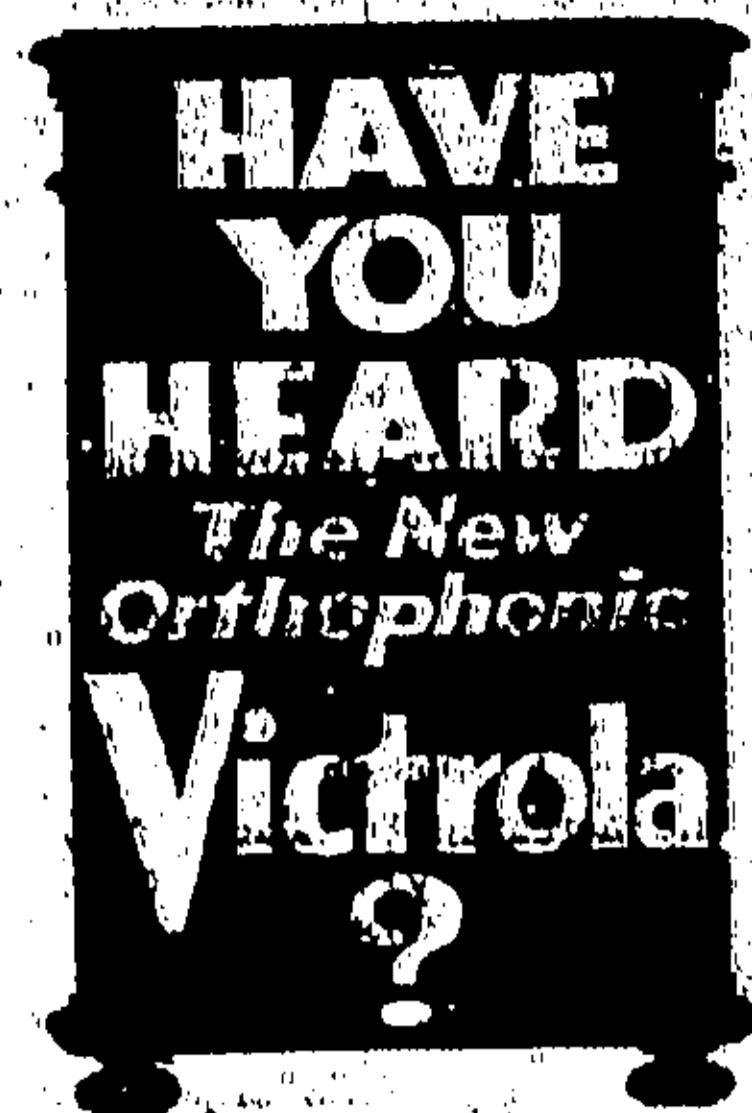
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DEATH.

CLARKE.—At Shanghai, on the
18th instant, William Edward
Clarke, late Director of the Hong
Kong Canton & Macao Steam-
boat Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1926.

WORLD CRUISES.

Certain superior people in Hong
Kong affect scorn for the world
tourists who periodically invade
the Colony in large numbers.
That attitude cannot be condemned
too strongly. Apart from the
fact that the world tourists, to put
the matter on its lowest level,
spend large sums in Hong Kong
every year, and these sums, al-
though going into certain limited
channels, yet benefit the whole
community in the long run, there
is the vital fact that every world
cruise does something towards
fostering international understand-
ing and goodwill. The visit
of the "Ryndam" to Hong Kong
proves that as it has never been
proved before. Not only have the
500 travellers of the Floating
University seen most of the places
of interest, and beauty that the
Colony has to offer, but they have
come into contact with a section
of the community with whom they
have a great deal in common—the
educationists who are so well
qualified to give them an insight
into the life and problems of Hong
Kong. Admittedly "their" two
days' stay here, as Professor
Heckel said last night at the dinner
aboard the "Ryndam", has not
made them competent "to determine
the wisest policy for the
British Government to pursue in
this part of the world," none the
less they have been able to realize
the extent and the complexity of
our problems. They now appreciate
the fact that there are problems,
and these problems cannot be settled with a mere
gesture. Therefore it is not surprising to find Professor Heckel
declaring further that many of
the "Ryndam's" students will return to their own country more
tolerant and with greater understand-
ing. Let it be inferred from this that we consider Americans
are the only ones who can so
benefit, we hasten to add that we
feel sure British University students
could adopt the same
direction only can British students
hope to succeed against Ameri-
can competition.

British Films.

Unless we happen to be pro-
American, either through blood
or cash interests, we are all pre-
pared to subscribe instantaneously
to the movement for the propagation
of British films, British pro-
ducers, British camera-men, British
directors, British musicians, and
British artistes. The theory
is noble and grand. Seriously,
there has been a spate of Ameri-
can films, and the Great War is
blamed, rightly or wrong, for the
British producers being unable to
make up the great leeway in
favour of cousin Jonathan before
1914. The world of cinema pictures
was monopolised by Americans,
who, even if they did inflict
a large proportion of mediocre
stuff on the public, certainly
elevated the art of cinematography
to heights never dreamed of
before—thanks to their outstanding
virtue of thoroughness. To-day,
the great American producers
are realising that they
"can't fool all the people all the
time" with rubbish. The "best
sellers" in modern pictures leave
far behind blood-curdling, hair-
raising crimes of the "orthodox
hold up" variety. No longer is
a Mexican cowboy sufficient to
"boost" a film. The education of
the public is proceeding apace
and the demand for a higher
standard of films has been met by
such splendid pictures as, say,
"The Merry Widow," now showing
locally. American films or no
American films, British films or
no British films, cinematography
has taken its rightful place
among the finer arts. Britons naturally
would like to see a greater
predominance of British films,
but they themselves would be the
first to criticise and sneer at
efforts that fall below pictures
such as "Yolanda" or "The Merry
Widow." If it is possible to pool
the cash and the brains of the
British cinema production and
produce films that will add to Brit-
ish laurels, all lovers of art for art's
sake will join in wishing the
movement every success. In this
direction only can British students
hope to succeed against Ameri-
can competition.

Questioned with regard to the
reports emanating from Washington
to the effect that France had
approached the United States with
regard to the handing over of the
French debt to the American
Clemenceau, the then French Finance
Minister, said that the highest
and only aim of the French
and the British Ambassadors
between the French Ambassador
and the British Ambassador
was to secure a re-adjustment of
the debt.

With characteristic sportsmanship,
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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE GIRL GUIDE MOVEMENT IN THE COLONY.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail":]

Sir,—I shall be very grateful if you will make known through your columns that the Girl Guide Association is entering upon a new series of activities and will welcome all who have been Guides or who wish to be Guides. Miss Trotter and Miss Wanklyn (District Commissioners in Hertfordshire) have arrived to take up four months intensive training of officers and Guides and we hope to develop the Movement greatly through their assistance in conjunction with our District Commissioners Mrs. Remington and Mrs. Miles.

A friend has kindly placed at our disposal a bungalow by the sea for three days, December 7th, 8th and 9th. The Guides will spend the whole day in cooking, tracking, and nature study and we shall be glad to hear from any girls who have been Guide officers before or others who would like to take part in these outings.

Guides are a "happy family" of all races, creeds and classes, and I shall look forward to the time when we shall number our Hong Kong and Kowloon Guides by thousands instead of hundreds.

An Officers' Training Class is held every Monday at 4.15 p.m. at Government House by kind permission of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Clementi. Cooking classes, nature study rambles, first aid and sick nursing lectures, folk dancing, handicraft, together with many social meetings will be among the varied fare set before the Guides during the next four months.

"Once a Guide always a Guide." I feel there are many girls in the Colony who would like to renew their Guide days and others who would like to join in the Movement and learn to enjoy the good fellowship, the varied interests and the opportunity for useful work that this international sisterhood offers. We are all apt to find ourselves in watertight compartments, a thoroughly unwholesome and unsatisfactory form of dwelling. The Guide Movement breaks down artificial barriers and brings us into friendly contact with all the world.

Yours, etc.,
EDNA SOUTHORN,
Colony Commissioner,
The Eyrie.

Will all who would like to join the Officers' Training Class or to assist the Movement in any way communicate with the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, 463, The Peak?

[WHO WILL PAY JOHN BULL?]

[To the Editor of the "China Mail":]

Sir,—Mr. Churchill's statement
in the House of Commons on Tues-
day afternoon provides material
for much reflection. According to
the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the
total received by Great Britain
amount to £6,050,000 and there is
still £1,099,000,000 to be received.
Against this the capital account of
the British debt to the United States
now outstanding amounts to
£932,000,000.

It will be recalled that on August
1, 1922, the then British Foreign
Secretary, the Earl of Balfour,
issued a Note offering to renounce all
loans due Great Britain and to
abandon all further rights to Ger-
man reparations, if reciprocal
action were taken by other nations.
In other words, Lord Balfour offered
to cancel the \$12,000,000,000 due
Great Britain if the United States
would cancel the British obligation
of \$5,000,000,000, but the United
States Government refused to
education of first rank.

If Mr. Beadle's suggestion could
be carried out, it would mean a
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Yours, etc.,
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Washington and Mr. Mellon the
United States Secretary of State
for the Treasury, and that the
upshot was that the United States
had agreed that the rate of interest
should be the lowest possible,
whilst there was ground for be-
lieving that the principle should be
substantially reduced.

Up to the moment of writing,
owing to the chaotic state of the
French franc, little if anything
has been done in the matter, but
Britain continues to pay the United
States an enormous sum every year
towards the repayment of these
debts which, as already stated,
were contracted on behalf of her
late Allies. No one, I think, can
accuse Britain of being unduly
avaricious as regards the debts
due to her. It would, indeed, be
difficult to formulate a fairer or
more generous proposal than that
drawn up by Lord Balfour. But
the United States Government re-
mains adamant.

Is John Bull to stand by inde-
finitely whilst Uncle Sam holds out
his hands and receives payment?

According to a Home journal,
Colonel George Harvey, ex-Ambas-
sador of the United States to Great
Britain, predicts that America will
ultimately be willing to accept from
Britain a sum total equal to the
original principal of her debt.
Colonel Harvey bases his views on
the time-honoured theory that a
gentleman cannot take interest
from a friend. One can but hope
that the ex-Ambassador will prove
a true prophet. In the meanwhile
I suppose the British will go on
paying and look as pleasant as they
can!

What have you to say on the sub-
ject, Sir?

[INCOME-TAX PAYER,
Hong Kong, Nov. 20.]

WAR DEBTS FOR EDUCATION.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail":]

Dear Sir,

Many prominent Americans have
stated that they believe their country
will be harmed economically
and in other ways, by itself using
all the War debt money, and
various suggestions for cancella-
tion or re-adjustment have been
published.

A suggestion of considerable inter-
est has been sent me by Mr. R.
Cameron Beadle, Editor of "Com-
bustion," and I forward copy of his
letter in the hope that you will
publish it.

His suggestion recalls the fact
that higher education and research
in Scotland have been greatly helped
by money from an American
source, namely the Carnegie Trust;
also, the indemnity due to America
on account of the Boxer Rebel, or
was given back to China and used
by the Chinese Government for
education.

I know Mr. Beadle well enough to
say that he uses the word "education"
in its very broadest sense, and this
includes knowledge gained by travel,
which is perhaps the best form of education.

By means of grants, thousands
of American teachers and students
are benefited by visiting this country
and Europe every summer, and
the sending of deputations of our
workers to study conditions in
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CANTON'S DUTY.

FLOATING UNIVERSITY

Should Clear Bias Bay of Pirates.

CO-OPERATION NOT WANTED?

Aeroplanes Better Than Elaborate Procedure.

Commenting editorially on Nov. 19, on the outstanding incidents in the "Sunning" piracy, the "Shanghai Times" suggests that effective suppression can best be performed by the Chinese authorities.

A telegram from Hong Kong states that the opinion of well-informed persons is that the clearing out of the pirates' nests in Bias Bay can be effected by combined naval and military action. "It is added, that the Kwangtung authorities, it is understood, require British co-operation for this purpose, but this co-operation is not acceptable to Canton."

"Afraid of Criticism."

For ourselves we doubt whether it would be necessary to employ such elaborate procedure to observe the "Shanghai Times". If the Kwangtung authorities provided the essential information supplementary to that in foreign possession, a few aeroplanes should be able, in a very short space of time, to force the outlaws from this base if not completely out of business.

"Canton, obviously is afraid of adverse criticism if foreign aid were secured, but the 'Nationalist' Government would do well to remember that the people of Canton are very heavy losers at the hands of pirates and that the evil is extending as the result of recent political and military changes, and, as the natural outcome of successful operations on board steamers carrying valuable cargoes."

Crux of the Matter.

On the question of a precedent and the attitude of the Canton authorities, the article reads:

"Merchants in Canton remember the expedition against the pirates infesting the West River some two decades ago, when the cost proved worse than the pirates, and the troops, only damaged innocent, or believed innocent, country folk and killed persons who might have been criminals but were not convicted pirates."

"If an expedition were sent to Bias Bay day or two after a piracy it is extremely unlikely that they would find anything but fishermen plying their trade and country folk working in their fields."

"But the crux of the matter lies in the fact that the majority of these persons have an interest in pirates, if they are not pirates themselves, and it is next to impossible for any but Chinese to divide innocent from guilty."

Whole Countryside Guilty?

"For this reason effect suppression of piracy can best be performed by the Chinese authorities."

"In every Chinese town or village all the bad characters are known. When a village is inhabited by lawless folk the whole countryside is well aware of the fact."

"Thus, if the Cantonese Government determined to rid the Kwangtung coastline of pirates it could do so, provided it had an incorruptible force at its command."

"But Canton declines to take action, following the line adopted for so many years by the authorities in the Chinese city at Shanghai that so long as criminals residing in the city perpetrated their crimes outside native jurisdiction they would not take any steps against them."

A Salutary Lesson.

Brave is thus meted out to the gallant defenders of the Mercantile Marine."

Their determined battle with the outlaws should be a salutary lesson to Chinese pirates that foreign mercantile officers lack nothing in bravery and that they are capable of turning to good account any opportunity that may present itself for maintaining control of their ships.

Unfortunately, pirates embarking as passengers on board existing vessels have employed the element of surprise with the greatest success on several occasions.

"Some shipping men believe that conditions have been altogether in favour of the pirates, and have argued that grilles and wireless can be of little utility in preventing piracy at sea unless the naval patrols are so numerous as to make it almost certain that any S.O.S. sent out is picked up in time to present a fair opportunity for the capture of the miscreants. Fire Proved Unidol.

"But even in such circumstances there is considerable danger."

"Time and again pirates, after rushing the grilles in the cabin

(continued from Page 1.)

EMPIRE UNITY.

Imperial Conference Report.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

Complete Approval and Severe Criticism.

London, Nov. 22. Press comments on the report of the Imperial Conference Committee on Inter-imperial Relations range from complete approval to severe criticism, while the "Daily News" and the "Daily Chronicle" describe it as very able and far-reaching.

The "Times," the "Morning Post" and other newspapers incline to the opinion that it leaves the position much as it was before.

The "Telegraph" says that the report is as remarkable for what it omits or leaves unsettled as for what it effects in the way of constitutional modification.

The "Daily Herald" declares the report a masterpiece of evasion and that it very skilfully avoided every real problem in the present anomalous relationship between the Governments of Great Britain and the Dominions.—Reuter.

Favourable Comments.

Rugby, Nov. 22. By general consent the report on Inter-imperial relations, adopted by the Imperial Conference, is a remarkable State paper, the importance of which lies in its attempt to define existing conditions, rather than in any fresh decisions taken on the working of this unprecedented system, says the "Times." "It all depends in the last resort upon a sincere determination to make it work. It has provided instead an agreed and authoritative picture of the Empire as it is."

The statement has apparently completely satisfied the delegates.

Several Dominion Premiers have already publicly expressed their appreciation of the spirit in which its problems have been faced.

This was voiced on Friday by the South African Premier, General Hertzog, who with the results of the work of the Inter-imperial Relations Committee in view, dwelt upon the sympathetic and willing assistance

which they from the Dominions had obtained from the Government of Great Britain in their endeavours

to set upon a firm basis the relations between them as members of the Great British Commonwealth of Nations.

He added, "I shall leave London with full satisfaction in my heart that our achievements will prove of lasting success and a lasting blessing to us all, severally and jointly. I have no doubt that South Africa will not be least in her steadfast co-operation with other parts of the Empire."

Important Work.

The "Daily Telegraph" says, "It is in such evidence of a change in the moral situation that the best reasons may be found for looking upon the work of the Inter-imperial Relations Committee as important."

The report embodies the inter-imperial policy and viewpoint of all the self-governing states of the Empire."

The newspapers generally remark that the Conference has given more definite shape in many particulars to the ideal of national independence under a common Crown, which has for many years been an ever-strengthening inspiration of Dominion policy in imperial relations.

The "Manchester Guardian" says, "The Conference has endeavoured to clarify the principles on which Dominion Government rests, to readjust the more important arrangements by which practical effect is given to these, and at same time to place the relations of the Dominions to each other, to Great Britain and to foreign Powers, on an intelligible basis. The centre and unifying principle of the whole structure is the Crown, regarded as above and beyond every member of the combination of States, including Great Britain, each in itself independent and bound to one another only by this intangible tie and by their own choice and interests."

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tions between the Home and Dominion Governments is awaited with interest.

Views are expressed in the report on the position of the Privy Council final court of appeal, conditions under which the treaty-making power should be exercised and the complicated subject of merchant shipping legislation, which, with some other matters, are reserved for examination by a special committee. The process of adaptation is to go steadily on, but, it will be governed wholly by considerations of mutual helpfulness and convenience.—British Wireless Service.

General Hertzog Satisfied.

London, Nov. 22. Interviewed by Reuter with reference to the work of the Imperial Conference, Gen. Hertzog stated he thought he was entitled to say the achievements would satisfy the people of South Africa, both Dutch and English-speaking. The object at which he aimed at the Conference had been attained, and in such manner as to remove all further grounds for doubt or suspicion regarding South Africa's actual national status.

He further felt that nothing had ever before been accomplished so calculated to lay a deep, enduring foundation for national co-operation between the members of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and ensure their mutual good-feeling.

He concluded by paying a tribute to the cordiality, sympathy and co-operation of the statesmen in Britain, and emphasised the unanimity of all the Dominions and Britain in which the difficult task had been accomplished.—Reuter.

French Views.

Paris, Nov. 22. The British Empire will still cling together while London holds the purse, comments "Le Journal" in connection with the report of the Inter-imperial Committee, adding Australia and New Zealand do not yet feel strong enough to cope maimed with the yellow colossus whose spectre haunts them.

The "Gaulois" says the new order of things will encourage those foreign solicitations to which the Dominions are already subject, and facilitate the infiltration of Bolsheviks and anti-foreign propaganda.

"Peritax" in an article in the "Echo de Paris" on the Dominions and foreign policy says Britain will now be still more averse from written promises and alliances and adds that it is impossible to conduct sound foreign policy in which prompt decisions are vital.

Before uttering a syllable or making a single gesture it is necessary to secure unanimous public opinion.—Reuter.

American Interest.

New York, Nov. 22. The American Press everywhere

was impressed with the significance of the report on changes in the British Inter-imperial relations, the majority being of opinion that Britain will lose none of its power by creating a new Empire status.

The New York "Herald Tribune" says the British Empire will probably go ahead in the old way, untroubled by theories and abstractions, renewing the vitality and tenacity which have given it ex-

ceptional strength.

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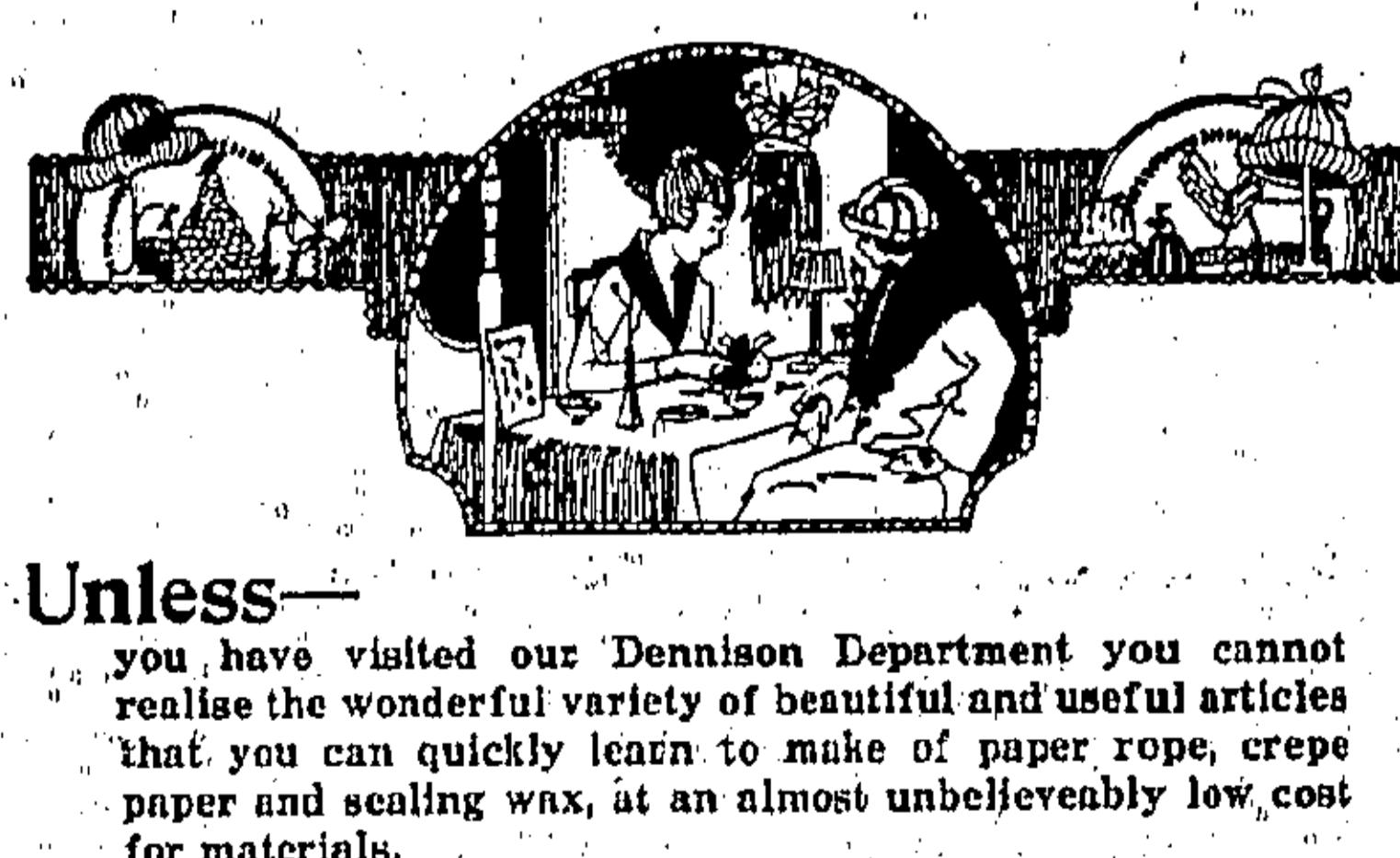
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Doorn, Nov. 22.—The ex-Kaiser has been in bed for a week with a serious chill.—Reuter.

The main line of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway between Bombay and Kurkura was opened to electric traction on November 1. Both the steam and electric services will be maintained for the present.

A Hankow report of Nov. 15 says:—Railway men of Wuchang-Changsha line of the Canton-Hankow Railway have gone on strike on account of non-payment of their wages, with the consequence that the train service has been suspended since yesterday.

The annual administration report for the last official year of the Bombay Municipality shows a surplus of nearly Rs. 14½ lakhs, revenue being Rs. 3.05 lakhs and expenditure Rs. 2.90 lakhs. The incidence of taxation per head increased from Rs. 21.12 to Rs. 21.44.

Steps are being taken to supervise the flow of diggers to the new gold fields in New Guinea. The Collector of Customs has advised that as Rabaul is the nearest port of entry for the gold fields all vessels and persons proceeding to the fields must first enter Rabaul.

In view of the fact that Belgium intends to bring up the question of the Sino-Belgian Treaty before the Hague Tribunal, various Chinese organisations in Peking are contemplating starting a nationwide boycott against Belgium from the date on which Belgium submits the matter until the conclusion of a new Treaty between the two countries.

A serious aeroplane accident was narrowly averted at Ambala on October 18, when a Bristol fighter, belonging to the 31st Squadron, R.A.F., crashed. The machine was engaged in taking photographs of a battery in action from a low height when engine failure compelled the pilot, Flying Officer Roberts, R.A.F., to make a forced landing on the parade-ground of the 103rd Sikh Pioneers. The aeroplane ran into a ditch and a tree, and was badly smashed. The pilot and passenger escaped with a severe shaking.

A new case of enteric fever (typhoid) was notified on Monday. The patient is a Chinese from the city district.

Reminder.—Address by General Bramwell Booth of the Salvation Army, at the City Hall, 5.30 p.m. to-morrow; public invited.

Local residents who returned on Sunday by the "Siberia Maru" from the North included Mr. J. S. McKenzie and Mr. G. L. Fenton. This vessel also brought Mr. J. S. Gubbay and Miss M. Roza.

A Chinese girl six years of age, was knocked down in Des Voucas Road Central by a car used by Admiral Williams, U.S.N. The child is in the government Civil Hospital progressing as well as can be expected.

Children playing on the sea wall at the foot of Rumsey Street yesterday afternoon, caused a motor car to start. The car found its way over the wall into the sea, and it was not until after 10 p.m. that it was recovered with the aid of a junk.

On the application of Mr. S. H. Lobsby, defending, the case against a Chinese charged yesterday morning before Major C. Willson with embezzling over \$1,000 from the New Zealand Insurance Company, was remanded for one week, bail being refused.

Not satisfied with caring for the souls of his parishioners, the Rev. J. G. Sutherland of the Belgrave Institutional Church, Leeds, is planning to look after the soles of their feet, says a cable to the "China Press." He has arranged a clinic at which a woman chiropodist gives free treatment to poor women in his congregation.

A Berlin cable to the "China Press" says that Germany, once known as a nation of beer and coffee drinkers, is turning to cocoa and chocolate. The high price of a Stein of suds, the government reports, has cut the annual beer consumption from 102 litres for every man, woman and child to 75 litres. Coffee consumption has been cut in half, the average cost per pound being about one dollar.

Through the efforts of the Belgian national joint committee of miners and owners, the immediate danger of a strike in the Centre basin has been avoided. Negotiations for the regulation of wages will be continued.

Mr. Otani Kozui, ex-Count and Abbot of the Western Hongwanji Temple, Kyoto, who is now travelling in Turkey and Europe, has leased from the Angora Government a tract of 1,000 chobu of land in which he plans to invest about Y.10,000 for the purposes of agriculture. Mr. Otani intends to dispatch 25 children each of 12 to 13 years of age to the plantation on his present trip next month. Mr. Otani is evidently a believer in child labour.

Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. have sent the "China Mail" a copy of their Christmas Catalogue. Profusely illustrated, this should prove most useful to parents who are always faced with a difficult task at this time of the year, in selecting suitable gifts for their bairns. The merits of this booklet, however, are not confined to the youngsters, for the second section is devoted to useful gifts for adults, a profusion of appropriate gifts for the "grown-ups" being specially featured.

It is noted that clubs, regiments and institutions are offered a special discount of 10 per cent. on all orders of \$50 and upwards.

The European community of Hong Kong, being composed very largely of people who have travelled, will welcome the October issue of "The Blue Peter," the magazine of sea travel edited by Mr. F. A. Hook, F.R.C.S., a copy of which the "China Mail" has received from Messrs. Mackintosh, Mackenzie & Co., Ltd. Besides giving much useful travel information in the letterpress and advertisements, the number contains several excellent articles devoted to sea travel, new and old, book reviews, poetry and correspondence. The illustrations, printed on art paper, are of the usual high standard, the cover design being a colour reproduction of J. Spurling's painting "Evening off the Coast of Ceylon."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

The newly appointed General Secretary of the Y.W.C.A., Miss Scott, recently arrived in Kuala Lumpur, and was given a welcome by the members at a social gathering.

The wedding took place in St. George's Church, Penang, of Charles Loftus Blundell, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, and Ethel Mary Deacon, head mistress of the Penang Anglo-Chinese Girls' School.

Mr. Adolph Landau has returned from a visit to Shanghai, arriving in the Colony on the s.s. "Siberia Maru" on Sunday. The "China Mail" understands that Mr. Landau has severed his connection with the Cafe Parisien. Mr. Landau, however, will be associated with a similar enterprise in the near future.

In the Tramway Co.'s reading room at Shanghai, Mr. John Marshall, the company's accountant, was presented by Mr. C. Burgess, the general manager, on behalf of the foreign staff, with a gold watch as a token of remembrance on his retirement from China. Mr. Marshall sailed for Japan and is making the trip Home via Australia and New Zealand.

Miss Pulford, Government Hospital, Malacca, has gone Home on leave.

Bishop Hurth, of Nueva Segovia, P.I., has resigned his bishopric and is returning to the United States.

The late General Manager of F.M.S. Railways, Mr. P. A. Anthony, has been appointed to a similar position in the Palestine Railways.

On October 30 Vice-Admiral Goosens and the Chief of the Dutch East Indies Naval Staff made a flight from Sourabaya to Batavia. The flight was accomplished in four and a half hours, without landing.

The Shanghai Chinese newspapers state that the Chief Magistrate of the International Mixed Court is to be given by Marshal Sun to Mr. Hsuei Wei-chien, formerly Chief Justice of Shansi.

An Auckland report says:—The mystery of the disappearance of Captain Williamson, master of the steamer "Marama," who was not seen again after leaving the Union Company's office in Wellington on September 15, was solved when the body was found in Wellington Harbour. There were no signs of violence.

The Rev. G. E. Arrowsmith will be the recipient of a farewell presentation from the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Association on Friday at the second social of the winter season, organised by that body, of which he is President. During Mr. Arrowsmith's association with the members he has won their esteem and affection by the wholehearted manner in which he has worked on their behalf and his impending departure is deeply regretted.

A Madras report of October 23 says:—Sir Charles Innes, member of the Viceroy's Council with Lady Innes, arrived in Madras to-day by the Calcutta mail on a tour in the southern districts. He will leave for Calcutta on Monday night, and after visiting Ermakulam and Trichinopoly, will return to Madras on November 1, leaving for Bombay on the next night. Sir Charles and Lady Innes during their stay in Madras will be the guests of Lord and Lady Goschen at Government House.

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SPORTS SECTION

TRAINING TIMES.

RACE PONIES FORM ON PAPER.

TO-DAY'S GALLOPS.

(By "Patrol.") Training is proceeding apace for the sixth extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club this Saturday.

Interest centres, of course, in the St. Andrew's Stakes (1½ miles) and in the Autumn Championships (1¼ miles).

Several of the "probables" have been taken over the requisite distances and given satisfaction.

The handicaps may not have pleased all round—it is nearly always impossible to do so—but the programme is an interesting one.

Attaboy (late Fantastic Dahlia) is very fit as are the other favourites such as Saligia, The Goblin, Lady Luck, Brigade Call, etc. Ukelele (late Melody Dahlia) does not seem to have recovered his best but it is hoped that he will improve in the interval.

To-day's gallops are given below:

* Saligia (Mr. Ralph) 1 mile: 39. 1.17. 1.53. 2.23.2, last quarter 30.2.

* The Goblin (boy) 1 mile: 31.3. 1.06.1. 1.40.2. 2.12.3, last qr. 32.1.

Fireworks (Mr. Gordon) 1 mile: 41. 1.24. 2.07.3. 2.40, last qr. 32.2.

Brigade Call (Mr. Gordon) 1 mile: 34. 1.09. 1.43.1. 2.4.1, last qr. 31.

Rechabite (Mr. Reidy) and Blotting Paper (boy) 1 mile: 41.3. 1.21. 1.56.2. 2.30, last qr. 33.2.

* The Gomeril (Mr. Ralph) 1 mile: 36. 1.13.2. 1.50. 2.20.3, last qr. 30.3.

* District Call (Mr. Gordon) 1 mile: 42. 1.22.4. 2.00, last qr. 37.1.

Total Abstinence (Mr. Reidy) 1 mile: 40. 1.15. 1.49. 2.21.1, last qr. 31.1.

The Gnome (Mr. Ralph) and The Geezer (boy) 1 mile: 38.1. 1.14.3. 1.49.3. 2.19.4, last qr. 30.1.

Barley Grass (boy) 1 mile: 38. 1.12.3. 1.45. 2.17.3, last qr. 32.3.

Grey Streak (Mr. Ralph) 1 mile: 40. 1.15. 1.49. 2.21.1, last qr. 32.1.

Grey Knight (boy) 1 mile: 36. 1.12.1. 1.47.1. 2.18.3, last qr. 31.2.

Arabian Parrot (Mr. da Roza) 1 mile: 37. 1.13.2. 1.49. 2.21, last qr. 32.

Lady Luck (Mr. da Roza) 1 mile: 36.4. 1.13.1. 1.47.3. 2.18, last qr. 30.2.

Saturday's Gallops.

* Rothesay (boy) 1 mile: 41. 1.18.2. 1.54. 2.26.2, last qr. 32.2.

* Saligia (boy) 1½ miles: 43.2. 1.22.3. 2.01.3, 3.06.2, last qr. 30.2.

Fireworks (Mr. Gordon) 1 mile: 41. 1.27.2. 2.11. 2.46, last qr. 35.

The "Goblin" 1½ miles: 41.2. 1.22. 2.04. 2.40. 3.15.3.

3.47.3, last qr. 32.

Brigade Call (Mr. Gordon) 1½ miles: 38.3. 1.13.2. 1.52.2. 2.28.3. 3.06. 3.37.2, last qr. 31.2.

Total Abstinence (boy) 1½ miles: 41. 1.18.2. 1.55.4. 2.31.4. 3.05. 3.37.3, last qr. 32.1.

Grey Knight (boy) 1½ miles: 39. 1.15. 1.52.2. 2.28.4. 3.08. 3.36, last qr. 33.

* September (boy) 1 mile: 37.4. 1.15. 1.51. 2.25, last qr. 34.

The "Gomeril" 1½ miles: 43. 1.19.2. 1.57. 2.35. 3.09.3. 3.43, last qr. 33.2.

* The Regent (boy) 1½ miles: 40. 1.18.3. 1.58. 2.26.3. 2.59.3, last qr. 33.

Rechabite (Mr. Reidy) and Blotting Paper (boy) 1 mile: 41.3. 1.21. 1.56. 2.28, last qr. 32.

* Ukelele (boy) 1½ miles: 43. 1.19.2. 1.57. 2.35. 3.09.3. 3.43, last qr. 33.2.

[Barley Grass (boy) accompanied Ukelele for the last 1½ miles and the time would therefore be (1½ miles): 36.2. 1.14. 1.52. 2.26.3. 3.00, last qr. 33.2.]

* Loch Rannoch (boy) 1½ miles: 40. 1.14. 1.48.3. 2.20.2. 2.55.2, last qr. 35.

* The Geezer (boy) and The Gnome (boy) 1½ miles: 42. 1.16. 1.52. 2.26. 2.68, last qr. 32.

The Sand Piper (Mr. Stanton) 1½ miles: 40. 1.15. 1.45.3. 2.25. 3.00, last qr. 30.3.

Lady Luck (Mr. da Roza) 1½ miles: 40. 1.16. 1.49.3. 2.25. 3.00, last qr. 31.3.

* Denotes inside course.]

LAWN TENNIS.

AMERICA VOTES FOR GERMANY.

DAVIS CUP ENTRY?

New York, Nov. 22.

The American Davis Cup committee has voted in favour of the re-admission of Germany to the International Lawn Tennis Federation, also into the Davis Cup competition.—Reuter's American Service.

ANNUAL RACES.

DATES FOR JOCKEY CLUB MEETING.

REASON FOR CHANGE.

Dates originally fixed for the Hong Kong Jockey Club annual (spring) race-meeting have been changed.

Yesterday it was announced that the Stewards had decided to hold the events a fortnight earlier than at first intended. The dates chosen, therefore, are:

Monday, Feb. 28.

Tuesday, Mar. 1.

Saturday, Mar. 5.

This change is necessary as the Shanghai jockeys will not be able to come down later.

The new dates now announced are definite.

Accordingly, the Hong Kong Derby will be run on March 1 and the Champions on March 2.

LADIES' TENNIS.

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLONY.

RESULTS TO DATE.

Several matches have been played off in the ladies' open singles lawn tennis championship of the Colony, as follow (all in round 1):

Miss Enid Lo beat Mrs. James 6-4. 6-3.

Mrs. Martell Hall beat Mrs. Stark 6-2. 2-6. 8-6.

Miss. Robinson beat Mrs. Davenport Brown 6-2. 6-1.

Other results in the Ladies' Recreation Club annual tournament are:

Club Championship.

1st Round:—Mrs. Davenport Brown beat Mrs. Clelland 6-0. 6-1.

Mrs. G. M. Hall beat Mrs. Railton 6-1. 7-5; Mrs. James beat Mrs. Digby 6-1. 6-1.

2nd Round:—Miss P. Brown received a walk-over from Miss Lewis.

Mixed Doubles.

2nd Round:—Mrs. James and A. D. Humphreys beat Mrs. Childe and W. M. Lyons 6-1. 6-3; Mr. and Mrs. Railton beat Mrs. Davenport Brown and Mr. Hickling 6-2. 6-3;

Mr. and Mrs. Rowley beat Mrs. Hickling and Prof. Tottenham 6-4. 6-6. 6-6.

Doubles Handicap.

1st Round:—Mrs. Davenport Brown and Mrs. Hickling (owes 2/6) beat Miss Riddle and Miss Culiman (rec. 15) 6-3. 6-2.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

1st Round:—Mrs. and Mrs. Martin (rec. 15) beat Mrs. Hill and Mr. Newhouse (rec. 3/6); Mrs. Cook and Mr. Newers (owes 15) beat Mrs. Bell and Mr. Brearley (owes 15/4); Miss Newsholme and Mr. Evans (owes 2/6) beat Miss Riddle and Miss Culiman (rec. 15) 6-3. 6-2.

Handicaps have not been worked out as yet in the Gael and Heyward Hays classes. Accordingly the results are given in order of "finishing" and not "corrected" time and points have not been allotted.

Gael Class:—Daphne (Mrs. Claridge), Ailsa (Mrs. Chapple), Gael (Miss Birkett), Thecia (Miss Butcher), Joan (Miss Thwaites).

Heyward Hays Class:—Bluenose (Mrs. Mitchell), Boojum (Miss Lewis), Why Wonder (Mrs. Faussett), Sealark, Mrs. Hunt, Lola (Mrs. Cardew).

2nd Round:—Mrs. Hickling and Prof. Tottenham (owes 15/4) beat Mr. and Mrs. Railton (owes 15).

Men's Singles.

1st Round:—Prof. Tottenham beat Megarry; R. M. Henderson beat Armstrong; Lawrie beat C. C. Stark; Stevenson beat Evans.

SERVICES SOCCER.

Played annually on the knock-out system, the United Services Football competition has this year drawn a record entry, these being:

Division I:—2nd Batt, King's Own Scottish Borderers, H.M.S. "Vindictive," H.M.S. "Despatch," H.M.S. "Tartan," H.M.S. "Hermes," H.M. Submarines.

H.M.S. "Carlisle," Royal Artillery, H.M.S. "Hawkins," H.M.S. "Ambrose."

Division II:—Royal Army Medical Corps, "Hawkins," H.M.S. "Iroquois," H.M.S. "Tamar," H.M.S. "Hollyhock," H.M.S. "Marazion," H.M.S. "Destroyers" (2 teams), "Bluebell," "Vindictive," "Tartan," Small Units, "Carlisle," Submarines, R.A.A., "Ambrose," "Despatch," H.M.S. "Herald," H.M.S. "Fox glove," Borderers, "Hermes."

RAFFLE WINNERS.

PRIZES WON AT M.C.L. FETE.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

AN UNUSUAL CASE.

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The following are results of the raffles and of prizes won in competitions held at the M.C.L. Fete on Saturday, Nov. 20:

Bellville Girls' School Stall: Doll raffle winning number 134, Cheung Hang Chan.

Naval and Military Stall: Raffle. Doll lamp, prize, Mrs. Newton. Gold Fish Pond.

Police Stall: Men's Raffles, Prizes: 1. Ticket 128, A. Wright, cardigan. 2. Ticket 65, Mrs. G. Alabaster, 6 pairs socks.

3. Ticket 160, Mr. Ip, cigarettes. 4. Ticket 235, J. D. Provan, slippers.

5. Ticket 26, D. Chellaram, silk golf stockings.

6. Ticket 100, tier case.

Ladies' Raffles: Prizes: 1. Ticket 68, Dr. Webb, child's dress.

2. Ticket 167, Col. Robertson, linen tea cloth.

3. Ticket 52, Tam Chi-fan, child's dress.

4. Ticket 94, Mrs. T. Grimshaw, linen runners.

5. Ticket 120, Mrs. Middleton Smith, girl's jumper.

6. Ticket 182, Mrs. M. C. Kinley, Hand Bag.

Dolls Raffle: Prize: doll's name "Gwendoline" won by Dorothy Deakin.

Kowloon Stall: Tea Cloth, Ticket No. 23, won by Mrs. Nelson.

The Dinner service, Haori coat and Jewel casket will be drawn this week and winning numbers advertised.

Ladies' Ankle Competition: 1st Prize, won by Miss J. Holybush, presented by Mrs. Luard, 1 pair silk stockings.

2nd Prize, won by Mrs. Hills, presented by Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., 1 bottle Yardley's Perfume.

Clock Golf Competition: Three heats.

1st, won by Col. Matthews, 2 golf balls.

2nd, won by Mrs. Boylan, Smith, 2 golf balls.

3rd, won by Mrs. Sheldon, 2 golf balls.

Club Championship.

1st Round:—Mrs. Davenport Brown beat Mrs. Clelland 6-0. 6-1.

Mrs. G. M. Hall beat Mrs. Railton 6-1. 7-5; Mrs. James beat Mrs. Digby 6-1. 6-1.

2nd Round:—Miss P. Brown received a walk-over from Miss Lewis.

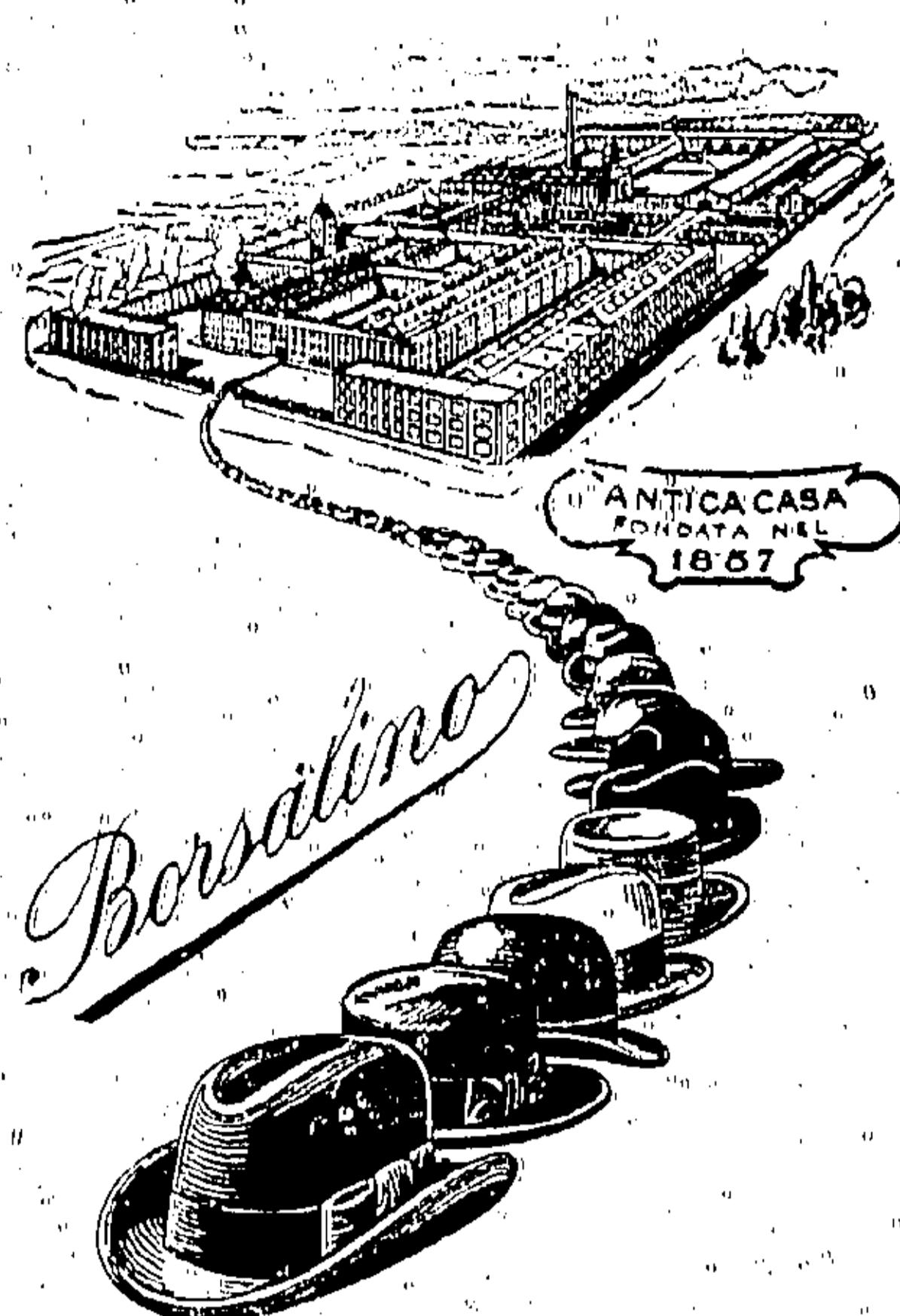
Mixed Doubles.

2nd Round:—Mrs. James and A. D. Humphreys beat Mrs. Childe and W. M. Lyons 6-1. 6-3; Mr. and Mrs. Railton beat Mrs. Davenport Brown and Mr. Hickling 6-2. 6-3;

Mr. and Mrs. Rowley beat Mrs. Hickling and Prof. Tottenham 6-4. 6-6. 6-6.

Doubles Handicap.

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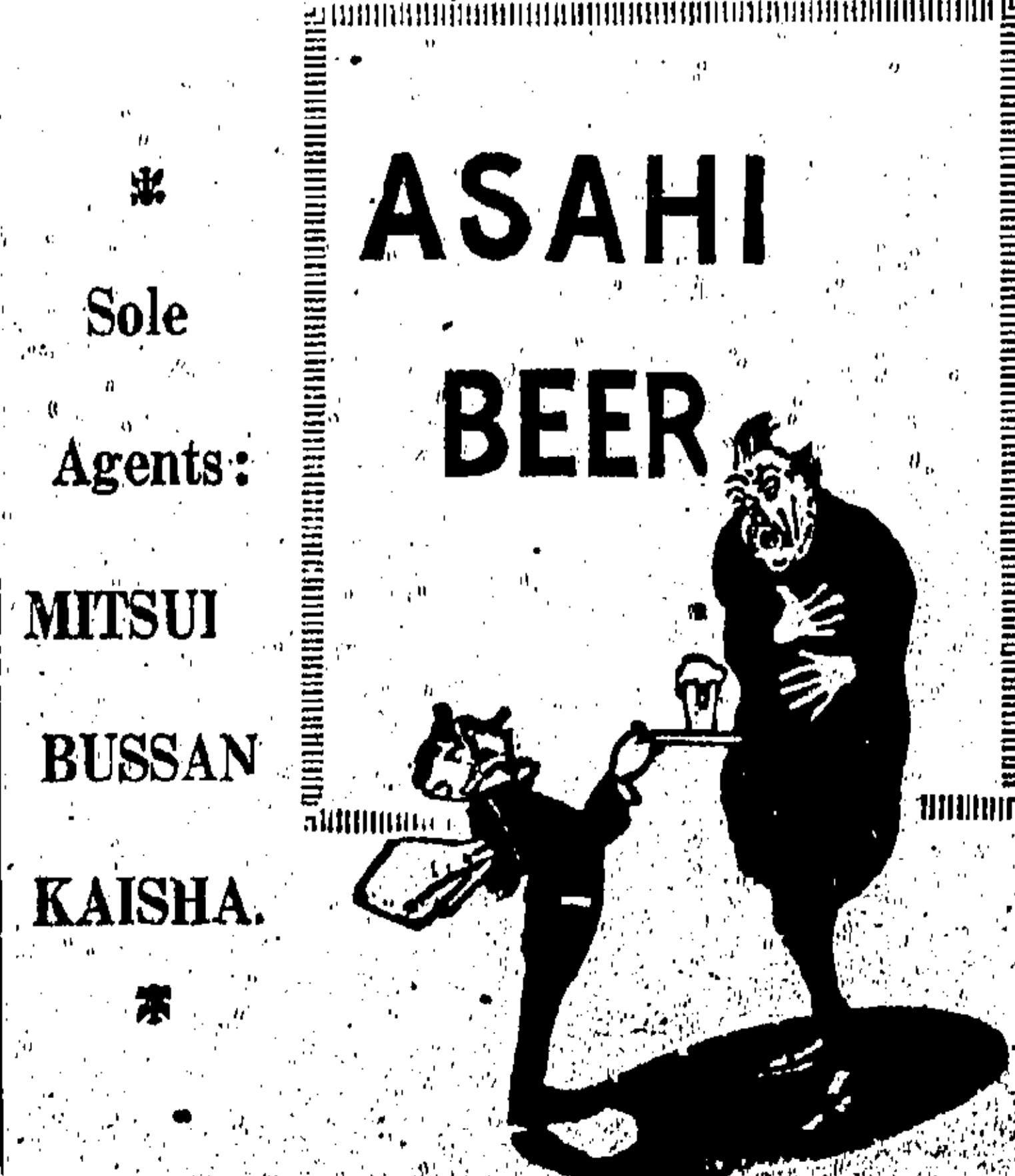
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DR. J. ALISON'S TOUR.

Dr. J. Alison, for many years Headmaster of the well-known George Watson's College, of Edinburgh, Scotland, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday, by the s.s. "President Van Buren" in the course of his world tour of Watsonian Clubs.

There is no Old Watsonian Club in existence in Hong Kong but there are several Old Boys who have arranged to entertain Dr. Alison during his stay here. Dr. Alison will remain in Hong Kong until Saturday when he leaves for Singapore on the s.s. "Karmala." Yesterday, he was the guest at dinner at the Hong Kong Club of several Old Watsonians.

The veteran headmaster is accompanied on his tour by Mr. Rylie Orr, proprietor of the "Greenock Telegraph," who was the guest at dinner at the Hong Kong Hotel to-day of local "Greenock" folk.

On Friday evening, when Dr. Alison returns from a visit to Canton, there will be a "Watsonian" dinner at the Hong Kong Hotel.

"Watson" Associations.

It is interesting to note that Dr. Alison's predecessor as Headmaster of George Watson's College was Mr. William L. Carrie, father of Mr. W. J. Carrie, of the local Imports and Exports Department.

Mr. Carrie was headmaster from 1929 to 1934, and portraits of him and Dr. Alison were unveiled this year in the College hall.

It is also of interest to recall that a former Colonial Secretary, of Hong Kong, Sir J. H. Stewart Lockhart, F.R.G.S., M.R.A.S., was an old "Watsonian." He gave to his old College Chinese lapidary tablets, presented to him by Chinese of the New Territories in recognition of the excellent work he did as Special Commissioner to report on the extension of the boundary of Hong Kong, and for which he also received the thanks of the Colonial Secretary of State. Sir James retired a few years ago from the post of High Commissioner of Weihaiwei.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG FOR NOVEMBER, 1926.

(Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich.)

	Sunrise	Sunset
November	a.m.	p.m.
23	6.40	5.38
24	6.41	5.38
25	6.42	5.38
26	6.43	5.38
27	6.43	5.38
28	6.44	5.38
29	6.45	5.38
30	6.46	5.38

Y.M.C.A. NOTES.

MERRIE ENGLAND AND
TO-DAY.

THURSDAY'S DEBATE.

The first dance of the season was held last Thursday evening, and a number of members and lady friends spent an enjoyable evening. The "Revellers" band was in attendance.

On Saturday last there was held an informal run round the New Territory by motorist members. Nine turned out with six motor cycles and sidecars, a stop being made at Castle Peak for tea. So great was the enthusiasm shown that it was decided to hold similar runs fortnightly. It was decided to organise a "Flying Y" Club and later on it is hoped that a small badge will be available for the members to attach to their machines. The next run will be on December 4, starting from the Y.M.C.A. about 2.15. The route will be announced later.

Next Saturday, November 27 will be held the first rumble under the auspices of the Camera Club. The route will be around Blacks LInks and members and friends are asked to be at the Peak Tram Station at 2.15 p.m. Opportunity will be afforded to all to take photographs and later in the session there will be an exhibition of prints of photos taken on these walks.

Last Sunday night Mr. A. W. Ingram addressed the meeting at the Quiet hour.

The subject under discussion at the Study Circle this week is "The birth of Monotheism, with reference to early religions in the New East." This paper will be read on Wednesday, November 24, at 6.30 p.m.

The opening debate will take place next Thursday, November 25, at 9 p.m. when the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach will propose that the days of Merrie England were happier than the Present. He will be supported by Mr. W. L. Walker and opposed by Mr. R. W. Sapsey, supported by Mr. T. V. Harmon.

On that evening the Y.M.C.A. Hockey team will meet the Club A. team at King's Park ground; the match will start at 4.45 p.m.

Thursday will be the date of the next Ladies' Night, and there are rumours going the rounds that certain dark gentlemen will stand across the footlights! In other words, arrangements are under way for the Y.M.C.A. Nigger troupe to make its debut.

Mr. Ingram is now in harness after his recent serious illness, and is closely identified with the work in the Non-Members section, and the ships in the harbour. He would be grateful if any members of the Navy or Military who wish to use the ground at the rear of the Y.M.C.A. building would get in touch with him, so that games could be arranged. —Contribute.

MAHARANIS LOSS.

BOMBAY JEWELLER
ARRESTED.

Bombay, October 25.—A prominent jeweller of Bombay has been arrested by the police at the instance of the Maharani of Cooch Behar on a charge of criminal breach of trust in respect of a pearl necklace valued at Rs. 1½ lakhs.

Kesarihali Deochand, the accused is a partner in the firm of Messrs. Lalbhai Kilyanbhai, Jewellers. He was placed before the Esplanade Police Court to-day when Inspector Abdul Ganji applied for a remand in police custody.

The Inspector stated that in November 1923 the Maharani of Cooch entrusted the accused's firm with a pearl necklace for sale. As no purchasers were forthcoming, the Maharani telephoned to the firm on the May 27, 1924, to return the necklace immediately. On the June 2, 1924, the accused telephoned that the necklace was with his senior partner, who was in Paris. In spite of correspondence the necklace had not been returned. The police asked for time to complete their enquiries.

The Magistrate ordered the accused to be released on bail of Rs. 1 lakh, with two sureties for a like amount.

4,000,000 TO FEED.

PLANS TO ESTABLISH SOUP KITCHENS.

Peking, November 8.—Plans for the establishment of 60 soup kitchens in the Metropolitan area to feed several million war victims who are starving and homeless. The association of Peking, the Public Welfare Association, and others, it is announced to-day.

It is claimed that there are 4,000,000 people in the city and on the outskirts, who have no means of support or gaining a livelihood. War victims, they have wandered here from the fighting zones, seeking food and shelter.

Padded clothing and grain is collected for the sufferers. "Chung Mei."

Lieut.-Commander Richard E. Byrd, of North Pole fame, has intimated that he may attempt a flight to the South Pole. "It's all in the future; nothing definite yet," he said. "A South Pole flight would mean 2,000 miles in the air, as compared with 1,360 from Spitzbergen to the North Pole and back. But that aeroplane of mine can go 3,000 miles without landing."

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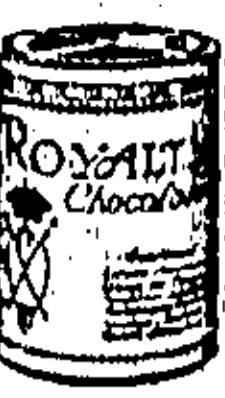
Lord Willingdon, recently appointed Governor-General of Canada to succeed Lord Byng, received a hearty welcome to Canadian shores at Quebec City, where he and Lady Willingdon arrived at the beginning of October on the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland. They proceeded to Rideau Hall, Ottawa, the official residence of the King's representative in Canada. The news of the appointment of Lord Willingdon to the highest representative post in Canada has been accorded widespread approval both in Canada and in the Mother Country, and his arrival in Canadian shores has been greatly anticipated. The anticipation has been fulfilled, as confirmed by Lord Willingdon in an interview with the Press, just prior to his departure for Canada.

"My experiences in Canada in earlier years were exceedingly pleasant, and I am looking forward with very much pleasure to my stay in Canada," Lord Willingdon stated yesterday. "I understand that a great part of the governor-general's duty is to represent the Dominion and see the certain that the King's new representative in Canada will prove very popular. His administrative ability was very highly regarded in India. He was Governor of Madras when the popular reformed system of government, a modified system of home rule, was established."

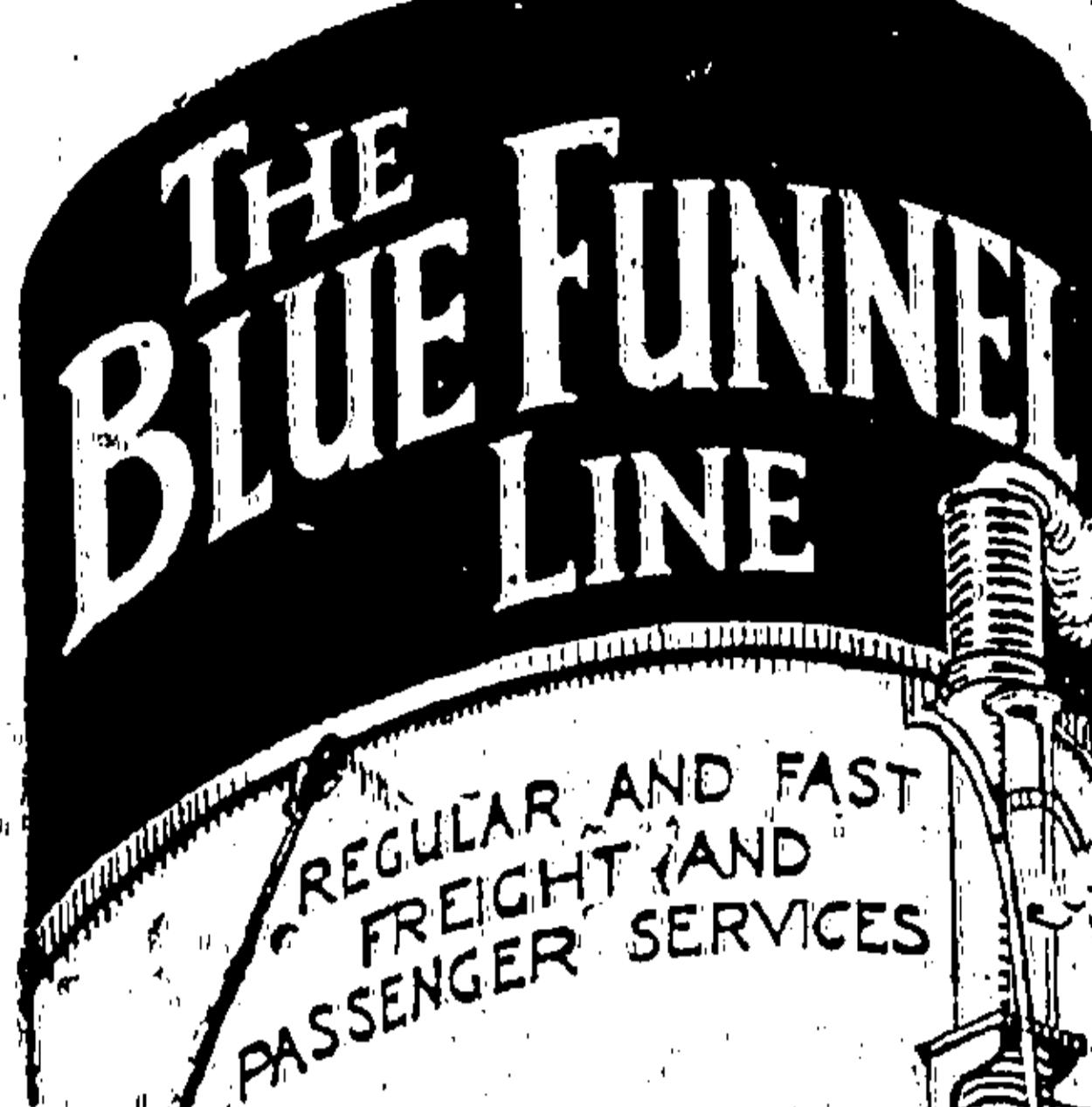
Lord Willingdon had a fond farewell to this popular English nobleman when they left Waterloo Station for the Empress of Scotland. His Majesty the King was represented by Viscount Lambden, Lieut.-Col. L. C. Amery, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, was present. Premier Baldwin was represented by Lt.-Col. R. G. Waterhouse. "Lady Willingdon's white on board the liner was well-nigh smothered with flowers.

In returning to Lord Willingdon these including a magnificent display of carnations sent from Premier Baldwin and Mrs. Baldwin.

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Correspondence for Canton will be forwarded by train if so superceded. Such correspondence must be posted not later than 7.30 a.m. at the General Post Office or 7.40 a.m. at Kowloon Post Office for despatch by the Express train scheduled to leave Kowloon Railway Station at 8.05 a.m. and to arrive at Canton at 12.20 p.m.

CHRISTMAS LETTER AND PARCEL MAILS FOR CANADA AND U.S.A.

Christmas letter and parcel mails for Canada and U.S.A. will be closed in the G.P.O. as follows—
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Letters 10.45 a.m.

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CHINA'S CHAOS.

"The Ship of State is Sinking."

DR. W. KOO'S WARNING.

Complicated Peking Political Outlook.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Peking, Nov. 15.
Politics absorbed Peking last week even to the extent that little attention was paid to the disasters which overtook Marshal Sun Chuan-fang in the Yangtze Basin. And in Peking interest was about evenly divided between Chinese politics and international politics as affecting China's position in the world of diplomacy.

With Marshal Chang Tso-lin at Tientsin, only a few miles away, the main interest was naturally centred in Chinese politics, and all signs seem to indicate that Chang will soon come to Peking and declare that the assumption of the position of "chief executive" or "generalissimo" has been forced upon him by the desire of the people and leaders in all of the anti-Red provinces.

Chang the Only Hope.

"And the truth of the matter is that Chang Tso-lin seems now to be about the only hope that North China has left. Wu Pei-fu is an ineffective shadow; Sun Chuan-fang has lost half of his provinces, and the Tuan of Shantung cannot meet Canton alone, nor would he make a good administrator."

At present Chang is still in Tientsin, holding what are called "military conferences." He admits having received a circular telegram from ten provinces and administrative areas urging him to assume the Presidency, but says he is not interested in politics. This telegram will probably be repeated about three times, and then it is expected; he will "yield to pressure" come to Peking, and set himself up as ruler of China. Then, definitely, it will be his place to fight the Cantonese, and so supply money, munitions and men to Shantung to Wu, and to Marshal Sun.

The Belgian Treaty.

In international politics the matters of the Belgian and Cantonese treaties have held the centre of interest, with now and then a shifting of the spotlight to news reports of considerations of China's problems in the House of Commons in England.

Belgium persists in the charge

that by abrogating the Sino-Belgian Treaty China has broken her pledge to the League of Nations.

That China is preparing to fight her

cause before the World Court at The Hague is evidenced by the appointment of Dr. Wang to the position of Chinese delegate to The Hague.

The Japanese reply to the Chinese Note asking for revision of the present Treaty seemed conciliatory enough at first, but now the Chinese press is digging into the layers of verbiage and finds that Tokyo wants the matter of Tariff and Extra-territoriality excluded from the negotiations because of the Washington Conference committees which are investigating those questions. Japan, in other words, wants to negotiate only on general questions of trade and navigation.

Britain and China.

British reactions to China's

policy toward Belgium have been

earnestly watched by the Wal-

chiaou, and official Peking is

somewhat disappointed at the lack

of violent denunciation of her

course from London.

Great interest is manifested in

telegraphed word that Mr. Miles

Lampson, the new British Minister,

will present his credentials to the

Kengchi Cabinet only in copy, and

will reserve his original credentials

until "such time as China has a

President."

Even greater interest

is shown in the official report of

Col. L'Estrange Malone, official in-

vestigator of the Independent

Labour Party, who was here in mid-

summer. He, of course, advocated

recognizing Canton and the entire

abandonment of all treaty rights.

One point of China's present

policy seems to have escaped all

foreign commentators, and that is

that the abrogation of the Belgian

Treaty was carried out by a Cabinet

which represents the most radical

LIBERAL ORGAN.

"DAILY CHRONICLE" CONTROL CHANGE.

LLOYD GEORGE RETIRES.

London, Nov. 22.
Mr. Lloyd George has parted with

all the controlling interest in the

"Daily Chronicle" group to a group

represented by the Marques

of Reading.

Further reports which were

approved at the last session of the

Conference include one from the

Imperial Air Communications Com-

mittee. The Conference was im-

pressed by the great political and

commercial benefits to be derived

from accelerating Imperial Air

Communication.

The Conference accepted, the

Committee's recommendations that

in view of the great potentialities

of the airship and the lack of pre-

sent facilities for early develop-

ment of regular airship services,

India and the Dominion Govern-

ments concerned should consider

the erection of mooring masts

available for demonstration flights

in 1928-1929 by the two airships

now under construction.

The British Government is urged

to consider the erection of a second

airship shed at Cardington, where

the one now existing is the world's

largest building.

The Committee also recom-

mended that the Imperial Air Con-

ference be held in two or three

years' time. Satisfaction was ex-

pressed at the development of the

aeroplane services in Africa, and at

the projected air link between Aus-

tralia and Singapore.

Science Research.

Another report approved by the

Conference is that on the subject

of research. It says there is a con-

sensus of opinion that the co-operation

of the various governments of

the Empire in scientific work in

the fields of entomology, mycology and

tropical medicine has been greatly

helped by the Imperial Bureaux for

these subjects, and it recommends

the establishment of similar fur-

ther research bureaux.

It considers that the periodical

conferences, such as those already

arranged for forestry and agricul-

ture, could best consider the needs

for such new organisations.

But it points out that the existing

bureaux are based on particular

sciences, and their application is